	1994	1995 (31.7.95 तक)
(i) दिल्ली पुलिस ने बरामद की लावारिस लाशें	1971	1265
(ii) दिल्ली में की गई हत्याओं से संबंधित उन शवों की संख्या जो पड़ोसी राज्यों में पाए गए।	1	1
(iii) बरामद किए गए शवों में से शिनाख्त किए गए शवों की संख्या तथा शिनाख्त न हो पाए शवों की संख्या	599 1372	340 925

(घ) सूचना, संलग्न अनुपत्र में दी गई है। [देखिए परिशिष्ट 174, अनुपत्र सं० 56]

Telephone connections by dot and private licences

2265. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the expected number of telephones likely to be provided by DOT by the 31st March, 1996 out of the revised target fixed for Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) how many telephone connections are expected to be provided by the DOT and the private licencees respectively during 1996-97;

(c) out of the total number of villages how many will be covered by telephones by the 31st March, 1996;

(d) how many village telephones will be provided by DOT during 1996-97 and how many by the private licencees to reach the target of coverage by 31st March, 1997; and

(e) what total investment resource the private licencees would have made upto 31st March, 1997 to cover the Rs.23,000 crore gap.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The expected number of telephones likely to be provided by D.O.T. from 1.4.95 to 31st March, 1996 is 29.26 Lakhs.

(b) Nearly 26.0 lakhs telephone connections are expected to be provided by DOT during 1996-97. The number of telephone connections to be provided by private licencees will be known only after opening of the financial bids of the Basic Service Tender.

(c) About 2,90,000 villages are likely to be covered by telephones by 31st March, 1996.

(d) During 1996-97 DOT is likely to be provided public telephones in about 100,000 villages. The number of Telephones to be provided by Private licencees will be known only after opening of financial bids of basic services tender.

(e) Estimated investment by private licencees by 31st March, 1997 is Rs. 15,500 crores. However, the actual amount to be invested by private sector will be known only after opening of financial bids of basic service tender.

Allocation of funds for maintenance of N.H. 31 and 55 in West Bengal

2266. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what amount of funds were allotted for the maintenance and repairs of N.H. 31 and 55 in West Bengal during the last three years;

(b) what amount of funds is allotted for the maintenance and repairs of these 2 N.H.S for the current financial year; and

(c) what amount of money has been released so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) Central Government allocates the funds to the States as a whole and not National Highway-wise. The amounts allocated for maintenance of National Highways during 1992-93 to 1995-96 in respect of West Bengal are given in the table below. The maintenance figures for 1995-96 do not include the allocations in respect of Special Repairs and Floods Damage Repairs which will be decided towards the end of financial year after assessing the requirements.

Year	(Rs. in lakhs) allocations
1992-93	1070.51
1993-94	1760.45
1994-95	1744.02
1995-96	971.00

Appointment on compassionate grounds in Ministry of Railway

2267. SHRI KAILASH NARAIN SARANG: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Railways entertains applications for apointments on compassionate grounds from the wards of railway employees who die while in service;

(b) whether it is a fact that the wards of some employees of wagon Workshop, Kazipet, South Central Railway, Secunderabad, A.P. had applied for appointment on compassionate grounds to the General Manager, South Central Railway, Secunderabad in July, 1995; and

(c) if so, by when the applicants would be appointed on compassionate grounds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Applications for appointment on compassionate grounds on the Railways are normally entertained at the level of Zonal Railways/Production Units etc.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Gauge conversion between Tirupati and Katpadi

2268. SHRI MOHAN BABU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work on the gauge conversion between Tirupati and Katpadi was started two years ago;

(b) if so, whether the progress of gauge conversion in this section is very slow;

(c) whether the budget allotment made during 1995-96 is only about 6.5 crores;

(d) if so, whether this amount is not sufficient to give priority for the completion of this work; and

(e) if so, whether Government are considering to allocate more funds during 1995-96 so that the conversion work is completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e) It is proposed to convert Tirupati-Katpadi section to broad gauge with electrification. The work is targetted for completion in 1997-98 to match the gauge conversion of Madurai-Dindigul-villupuram-Madras section, so that people coming from Southern Tamil Nadu to Tirupati on the MG are not put to inconvenience.

As such, the allocation of funds for this project made during 1995-96 is as per the requirements for progressing long lead items and accordingly work on bridges and other long-lead items is being progressed.